

## CITY HAS 137 MILLION TO SPEND, SAYS CRAIG

Figures Unreserved Borrowing Margin for Further Appropriations.

DEBT LIMIT 192 MILLION

Reservations and Commitments for Improvements Cut Down Total.

CONSTITUTION IS CITED

Comptroller Defends His Stand Against Attacks by Albany Committee.

Comptroller Craig places the city's unreserved borrowing margin for further appropriations by the Board of Estimate at \$137,145,211. The total debt limit on April 1 was \$192,480,500, but against that are checked reservations and commitments for bonds, transit, and other improvements amounting to \$55,332,189 and the difference is the actual amount now available for public improvements.

The total debt incurring power of the city within the debt limit is 10 per cent of the assessed valuation of taxable real estate, which for this year amounts to \$1,024,999,183. From this debt are excluded the county bonds of the five counties, the debt for water supply and for revenue producing transit and dock improvements.

The indebtedness, within the debt limit, is placed at \$532,518,882, and the difference is the \$192,480,500. This indebtedness included these items: Gross funded debt as of January last, \$1,678,375,130; for county, water and transit bonds, \$328,177,278; sinking fund held for redemption of the debt, \$574,047,345; and other funded debts, including contract liabilities, street opening improvements and land liabilities, \$65,835,737.

### Deductions From Debt Limit.

The \$55,332,189 deducted from the total debt limit includes \$27,736 for dock improvements, \$24,577,737 for school and other general purposes and several transit contracts, and \$3,416,616 for certain stock and bond issues.

The city's method of figuring is disputed by the legislative committee that investigated the municipal finances last year, but the Comptroller's statement will be accepted by the Board of Estimate unless assailed in the courts. This means that the Hyman administration can proceed to spend the \$137,145,211 in any way it desires. In explanation of his figures the Comptroller says:

"The debt referred to in the State Constitution includes all long term bonds and corporate stock notes issued and outstanding, together with all amounts unearned and amounts unpaid on the estimated total cost of contracts for public improvements in progress, and the estimated costs of all lands acquired for public purposes where title has vested in the city but in which the proceedings have not reached a final determination. These debts (contract and land liabilities) aggregated on April 1, 1922, \$65,835,737. Consequently in financing these obligations as they become payable the city could borrow nearly \$66,000,000 by means of corporate stock or corporate stock notes without decreasing the debt limit or debt incurring power of the city.

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## 'Flying Parson' to Wed Pair High Up in Clouds

THERE will be a wedding in the air over Hazlehurst Field at Mineola this afternoon. "The Flying Parson," Belvin W. Maynard, will perform the ceremony for Albert P. Schlatke, athletic director of the Veterans' Mountain Camp at Tupper Lake in the Adirondacks, and Sarah Cocke-faire, nurse at the Brooklyn Hospital.

At 2 P. M. Aviator Maynard will shoot his five passenger Pooker toward the clouds. He will turn the stick over to another pilot, don other garb and then, as Pastor Maynard, perform the ceremony at an altitude of 5,000 feet or so. The radio telephone and amplifiers will be used to enable those on the field below to participate in the ceremony. He will then doff his ministerial vestments, put on the leather coat of his other trade, relieve the substitute pilot and scoot northward with the newlyweds to the camp in the Adirondacks, where the honeymoon is to be spent.

transit bonds, docks and ferries bonds and assessment bonds payable from assessments make a combined total of \$62,463,864.19, of which the city's sinking funds hold \$30,782,254.00 and the public holds \$31,681,112.19.

"Of the total amount of water bonds outstanding there are from \$95,000,000 to \$100,000,000 which are self-carrying. The water revenues actually realized each year are probably sufficient to meet all administration, operation and maintenance charges of the water department per se, and to provide annual interest payments on and set aside a sum sufficient to amortize and ultimately redeem the principal of from \$55,000,000 to \$100,000,000 of these bonds.

"The remainder of the water bonds outstanding represents to a great extent the amount which has been expended for the Catskill aqueduct still in course of construction. It may be here stated that all of the water bonds and notes issued for debt incurred for water supply since January 1, 1904, are exempted from the debt limit.

### Rapid Transit Bonds.

"Of the rapid transit bonds \$51,013,724.56 have been exempted by the Appellate Division in accordance with the provisions of the State constitution. The lessee of the subway is now paying interest and annual installments to the sinking fund on \$52,737,277. Consequently, of the total amount of rapid transit bonds outstanding over \$25,000,000 are self-carrying.

"The revenue realized by the city from the operation of the Dock Department are sufficient to meet all administration, operation and maintenance expenses, together with interest and amortization charges on nearly \$70,000,000 of Dock Bonds, which in consequence have been exempted from the constitutional debt of the city by the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court.

"Assessment bonds issued by the city are payable from assessments levied against property presumably benefited by the city's method of figuring is disputed by the legislative committee that investigated the municipal finances last year, but the Comptroller's statement will be accepted by the Board of Estimate unless assailed in the courts. This means that the Hyman administration can proceed to spend the \$137,145,211 in any way it desires. In explanation of his figures the Comptroller says:

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### GERTRUDE BAER COMING.

German Peace Leader to Speak With Women of the Allies.

Three women of Europe, leaders in the movement to abolish war, will be welcomed on May 2 at the Engineering Society's Building, 29 West Twenty-ninth street. They are Frau Gertrude Baer, secretary of the League of Youth, who is influential in remodeling German culture; Mrs. Anna Robinson of England, who is already in this country, a guest of Miss Mabel Kittredge at 62 Washington Square South, and Mrs. Fischer-Arrould, who has been active in the Women's International League of Peace. Jane Addams will preside.

## NEW LAW ON CURB MOTOR TRUCK SPEED

Ordinance Now in Hands of Mayor to Affect Only Commercial Cars.

HYLAN TO SIGN IT SOON

Magistrate House Explains Provisions—Is Expected to Reduce Accidents.

MAKES SEPARATE CLASS

Passenger Vehicles to Operate Under Same Conditions as Are Now in Vogue.

While it is anticipated that Mayor Hyman will sign the new speed ordinance passed by the Board of Aldermen last week, according to Magistrate Frederick B. House of the Traffic Court there will not be such a material change in the law as some people have thought.

Mr. House says the recent action of the Aldermen affects commercial vehicles only and not passenger cars. It is intended to slow up the operation of the commercial cars, keeping them in a class separate from the other cars, and reducing their speed on the theory that they cause much of the trouble in the streets and are responsible for a great many of the accidents and fatalities.

"I think the measure passed by the Aldermen is all right," said Magistrate House last night. "The chief purpose was to reduce the speed of commercial vehicles. With reference to all other cars the law is identical with that under which we have been working for years.

"For the last ten years a speed of over fifteen miles and under twenty was considered presumptive evidence of a violation of the law. That applied to the built up sections. In the outlying sections twenty-five miles was the limit. There has been no change in these provisions as they apply to passenger vehicles.

### Provides Presumptive Evidence.

"The change in the law is in relation to commercial vehicles, and under the new ordinance a speed of fifteen miles will be regarded as presumptive evidence in any part of the city. In the built up sections a speed of eighteen miles will be a violation, and in the outlying districts commercial vehicles making twenty miles an hour will be violating the law.

"Substantially the new ordinance brings the legal speed of commercial vehicles about five miles below that allowed for other vehicles. That is just about the case, and such other changes as the new ordinance provides for are minor.

"There has been a difference of opinion for some time among the Magistrates as to which law should apply in the case of a violation in the park or on a bridge. There were bridge and park ordinances as well as the general speed ordinance, and consequently there was some confusion. The Aldermen have in a measure cleared up this situation by writing into the law a provision that the speed on bridges, park drives, parkways and parked streets shall not exceed twenty miles an hour."

### New Law on Curbs.

Heaviest, closest-woven of any grass rugs made.

Braid-bound and stencilled in border and all-over design in the newest colors—some taken from Chinese and Oriental rugs.

Size	Price
9 x 12 ft.	\$21
8 x 10 ft.	\$18.50
6 x 9 ft.	\$13.25
4 1/2 x 7 1/2 ft.	\$8.75
3 x 6 ft.	\$4.25

### Oval Rush Rugs.

Seamless. Heavy grade.

The only complete assortment of sizes in New York. Closely woven borders and bands of woven dyed rush, in black, blue, brown and olive green.

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That wear like iron.

Of heavy glazed cotton tape. Will not soil as easily as rugs made of rags. Will lie at on the floor.

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### Thirtieth Mile Speed Sometimes.

It has not been uncommon for vehicles to make thirty miles or even more an hour and the practice of the police has been to hasten rather than retard the drivers so as to prevent the greatest possible volume of traffic to pass a given point before the signals are changed. Such speed has not been possible with east and west bound traffic, however, because trucks travel in Madison and Lexington and Sixth avenues. It is such streets and the crowded streets of the lower East and West sides, where the majority of the motor cars are commercial trucks, that the new ordinance will affect particularly.

In these sections of the city the majority of the automobile accidents have occurred, and in most of them a truck rather than a passenger car has figured. By controlling the speed of trucks and other commercial vehicles can travel the Police Department probably will be able to prevent many accidents which would happen otherwise.

### MOTORCYCLE IS HIT BY TAXI; ONE KILLED

Man in Side Car With Victim Is Injured.

Christian Rasmussen, aged 23, of 273 West Thirtieth street, who was on a motorcycle, was killed and Michael Sheely, aged 25, of 215 West Houston street, who was in the side car, was seriously injured last night when they were rear-ended by a taxi cab in West End avenue, near Ninth street.

The taxi cab, driven by Harry Aronstein of 123 East 119th street was going south with two fares and was drawn close to the sidewalk and slowed up, while Rasmussen put on speed and tried to pass on the inside when the crash resulted. Policeman Kelly arrested Aronstein on a charge of homicide.

Joseph Horowitz, aged 45, of 66 East 105th street, was taking his automobile from a garage at 527 East Eleventh street yesterday afternoon, when he lost control and the car jumped across the street into a crowd of children, injuring six persons and smashing the windows of a butcher shop.

The most seriously injured was Ethel Goodman, aged 5, of 528 East Eleventh street, who suffered a fractured skull and cuts. Horowitz was injured internally and was taken to Bellevue after being arrested. Others injured were Sarah Weiner, aged 8, 524 East Eleventh street; David Seiling, 21, 419 East Tenth street; Lillian Bratman, 8, 531 East Eleventh street, and Samuel Seifer, 50, 529 East Eleventh street.

## FUR STORAGE

Vaults on the premises

Absolute protection

## That Was the Hen and Chickens Reef

off on the left from the Florida Bay, where we had good fishing yesterday. On those bunches of mangrove bushes standing alone out of the shallow waters we are sailing on, every one of the many white specks you see is a white crane or a young pelican, white when first born, with a delicate roseate tinge on its long neck, like the blush of a red rose.

The most famous fish hooked yesterday was the sail fish, which has a long wing on the peak of his back. He played with us for sixteen minutes and flew ten feet above the water, flopped down, bit the fishhook out of shape, slipped off the fishing line, laughed at us and disappeared.

You can never count your fish until he is landed over the side of your boat, or any chickens until they are hatched.

(Signed) John W. Wamaker

April 24, 1922.

### Colorful Summer Rugs

Fascinating variety of weave, color and design at prices gratifyingly low

#### Prairie Grass Rugs

Only one other New York store handles these

prairie grass rugs, from Fond du Lac, Wisconsin.

And that store's prices are not so low as ours.

Fresh. Crisp. Clean. Sweet-smelling. Closely-woven. Neatly tape-bound. Stencilled in blues, greens, browns and all the good summer colors, in border and all-over designs.

Size	Price
4 1/2 x 7 1/2 ft.	\$5.25
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9 x 12 ft.	\$12.75

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—the De Luxe groups

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### From So Many Charming Little Old Maple Stands and Tables

Any room will surely find its own.

Each of these little old early American maple candlestands and tables is so charming that to glimpse them, one after the other, will make you want to buy them all, but you will never regret your choice, no matter which one you decide upon.

#### Candlestands.

have the most grace—with their spade and snake tripod feet and their round, square, oval or octagonal tops and their tops with cut-out corners. And to make the picture perfect some of them have tip tops, \$35 to \$50.

#### Duck Feet

are the peculiar charm of two double drop-leaf, gate leg, light colored maple tables which have just come in—one of them with a charmingly carved apron as an added feature. \$145 each.

#### Night Stands

with straight up and down legs and square tops, some of them with little drawers are of lighter or darker maple as one prefers. \$50 each.

#### Tavern Tables

form another little group whose use is rather different—for tea, for books in the sitting-room, for one's work, for the dejeuner a deux, because they are lower and larger with square tops and charming old low stretchers on all four sides. \$75 each.

#### Fourth Floor, Old Building

## Glimpses of Vacation Lands

Motion tinted pictures and lantern slides of Cape Cod, White Mountains, Bretton Woods, North of Boston, Maine Woods, etc., will be shown in the Auditorium each day during the coming week, at 2.30 p. m.

Today's subject—"New England, its Mountains, Lakes, Rivers, Winter Sports and History."

Travelogue by Mr. E. S. Jones, noted landscape photographer. Courtesy of Boston & Maine R. R.

Music by the Great Organ, the Ampico and Edna Beatrice Bloom, soprano.

First Gallery, New Building

### Radio Broadcasting WWZ—Wavelength 360 Meters

Today's Program

1:40—Edna Beatrice Bloom, Soprano.

2:40—Hackel Berge Trio—violin, cello, piano.

3:40—Edna Beatrice Bloom, Soprano.

4:40—The Children's Hour—"Charlie Chimpunk and Mr. Barnswallow."

10:30—Program of dance music—by Sapphire Orchestra of eight pieces.

W. W. Lejdnor, Conductor.

## John Wamaker

Formerly A. T. Stewart

BROADWAY at Ninth Street Store Hours: 9 to 5:30

## Fashions

In the Wamaker Salons

## BEIGE

A Dominant Note in Fashions

Paris—as long ago as the earliest spring Openings—predicted the vogue of this charmingly neutral shade, for it is equally effective when used alone in an entire costume or as a mere background for brilliant color.

Beige in all the lovely modes of spring; in the smart fabrics; trimmed with the new, distinctive uses of beading, drawwork, or embroidery; perhaps, not trimmed at all, but simply tucked and pleated—so the Women's Fashion Salons interpret the vogue of

Beige Lace Frocks.

Beige Chiffon Frocks.

Beige Crepe Roma Frocks.

Beige Crepe de Chine Frocks.

Prices \$59.50 to \$195.

Second Floor, Old Building

## New Sweaters

And at such little prices

With the sweeping vogue of knitted fashions and the important place that Paris has given them in the mode, it was to be expected that sweaters—new and different—would be presented—and here they are:

Just a hint of their designs—you must see them to know how smart they are.

Shadow Scotch plaids of great distinction in slip-overs knitted of gauzy alpaca yarn, \$27.50.

Two-tone stripes—color combinations of unusual charm—in slip-overs with bateau necklines, \$12.50.

Pure silk slip-overs that have the new pinafore collars, or V necklines extremely well shaped, \$19.75.

Pure silk Tuxedo sweaters that accent their simplicity by a novel stitch. \$19.75.

Fibre silk sweaters in new designs; Tuxedo and slip-over models. \$7.50 and \$8.50.

The collection will be presented today.

Second Floor, Old Building

## The Correct Blouses

For the Round-neck Sweater—Silk or imported dimity blouses with the smart pinafore collars—severely tailored with fine pleating, narrow edges of hand-made lace or the unique Lanvin loops or ladder work.

For the V-neck Sweater—Blouses with the well-cut square roll collar, perfectly plain or outlined with fine tucks, fluting or lace.

For the Tuxedo Sweater—The choice of models is more varied and may include both of the above mentioned styles, as well as the charming frill blouses effectively decorated with wide Irish or flit lace, or bordered in color.

Materials—White silks, imported dimity and French voile.

Prices \$2 to \$24.75.

Third Floor, Old Building

## White Skirts—Gay Sweaters

That was the verdict of the Riviera.

They may follow straight, pleated or wrap-around lines. They may be of heavy silk crepes, faille or flannel.

Flannel, other wools, \$9.75 to \$29.50. Silks, \$12.75 to \$23.50.

In the Women's Fashion Salons

Flannel; plain, \$9.75; pleated, \$12.50. Silks, \$9.50 to \$15.

In the Misses' Fashion Salons, Second Floor, Old Building

## As Paris Sees the Cloth Frock

Reproductions and adaptations in the Women's Fashion Salons

JENNY's frock with crisp cross bands over shoulders and making a deep yoke, done in braid in our version.

PATOU's coat frock with the stunning silhouette, quite tight at hips; bloused above.

BERNARD's apron frock with horizontal stripes of white kasha on skirt.

LUCILLE of Paris—a coat frock, showing the use of brocade as trimming, and making much of heavy silk tassels. Illustrated.

And others, each representing an interesting phase of the new fashion.

\$69.50 to \$135

Twills, of course, for Paris thinks very well of them—mostly in navy blue, but always with some fascinating touch of gay color.

First Floor, Old Building

Second Floor, Old Building

## To-day's Radio Program

Tune to 360 Meters.

Station WJZ, Newark.

(Westinghouse.)

Musical program every hour from 11 A. M. to 5 P. M. on the hour.

Weather forecast 11 A. M., 12 M., 5 and 10:01 P. M.

Shipping news 2:05 P. M.

Official Arlington time 9:52 P. M.

Agricultural reports daily 12 M. and 6 P. M.

Final baseball scores every evening at 7 o'clock.

Program changes announced by radio telephone.

7 P. M.—Stories from St. Nicholas Magazine, courtesy of the Century Company.

7:30 to 9 P. M.—Recitals by Mildred Yelling, harpist; Byron Bay, pianist; Fred McPherson, baritone, and Jesse Koenig, violinist. Their programs will be announced by radio.

8 to 10:15 P. M.—Musical program: Recital by Marcia Schupac, concert soprano; Bernard Mann, pianist and accompanist. Program: "Her Rose," "Cousins," "He," "Mr. Piper," "Curran," "Thank God for a Garden," "Del Riego," "Oh! Dry Those Tears," "Del Riego," "Just a Wee-bit for You," C. J. Bond; "Irish Love Song," M. Lang; "Here Are Roses for a Rose," Schupac; "Mother Macchree," Alcott; "Un Bel di Vedremo" from "Madame Butterfly," Puccini; "Cradle Song," Napronik; "My Native Land," Gretschaninow; "Group of Russian Folk Songs," "Where My Caravan Has Rested," Lohr; "Wake Up," Phillips; "Someday," Schupac. Piano solos: "Moonlight Song," Beethoven; "Berceuse," Chopin; "The Nightingale," Alababoff-Liszt; "Pastoral of Varice," Mozart; "Sixth Hungarian Rhapsody," Liszt.

Station WGI, Schenectady.

(General Electric.)

7:30 P. M.—Miss Gladys Lott, a specialist in children's stories and songs, will give a program of five numbers. Miss Lott will be accompanied on the piano Monday evening by Miss Genevieve Brooke. Songs: (a) "The Big Brown Bear," (b) "The Caterpillar," (c) "Where Ignorance Is Blind," (d) "The Little Red Hen," (e) "The House That Jack Built," (f) "The Tale of Tails," (g) "Gettin' Washed," (h) "The Hen," solo, Alababoff-Liszt.

9 P. M.—(Eastern time)—Prof. E. Porter Felt, New York State Entomologist, will give a popular address on "Bugs and Antennae."

## Station KDKA, Pittsburgh.

(Westinghouse.)

8 P. M.—"Rivers and Harbors" by Cornish Bailey, secretary National Rivers and Harbors Congress, Washington, D. C. From Pittsburgh Post studio.

"International Friendship During the War," by Dr. Benjamin F. Baughman. From the Pittsburgh Post studio.

8:30 P. M.—Vocal and instrumental selection by Mrs. Esther Franco, operatic soprano, and Mrs. Howard McKown, pianist.

Station WGI, Medford Hillside, Mass.